Public Notice - Environmental Permit

PURPOSE OF NOTICE: To seek public comment on a draft permit from the Department of Environmental Quality for the withdrawal of ground water in New Kent County, Virginia.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: April 24, 2009 to May 24, 2009

PERMIT NAME: Ground Water Withdrawal Permit issued by DEQ, under the authority of the State Water Control Board

APPLICANT NAME, ADDRESS AND PERMIT NUMBER: New Kent County Department of Public Utilities; 7051 Poindexter Road New Kent, Virginia 23124: GW0007300

NAME AND LOCATION OF WATER WITHDRAWAL: Bottom's Bridge Water System; 2676 Pocahontas Trail, Quinton, Virginia 23141

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: New Kent County has applied for a new permit for The Bottom's Bridge Water System in New Kent County, Virginia. The permit would allow the applicant to withdraw an average of 494,521 gallons per day. The ground water withdrawal will support residential subdivisions and businesses within the service area. The proposed withdrawal will utilize the Lower and Middle Potomac aquifer at a depth between 274 feet to 765 feet below the land surface at the withdrawal site with the majority being from the Lower Potomac aquifer from 545 to 765 feet below land surface. An aquifer is a body of rock or layer of sediment in the ground in which ground water is stored and transported. DEQ has made a tentative decision to issue the permit. The permit will be issued to New Kent County who will be the owner and operator of the system.

HOW TO COMMENT: DEQ accepts comments by e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments must be in writing; contain a brief statement on how the proposal affects the person commenting, other users or the aquifer; and be received by DEQ during the comment period. The public also may request a public hearing. If a public hearing is requested, the written comments should include the reason for holding a hearing and related factual concerns. DEQ may hold a public hearing, including another comment period, if public response is significant and there are substantial, disputed issues relevant to the proposed permit. The public may review the draft permit and application at the DEQ office named below.

CONTACT FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS, DOCUMENT REQUESTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Erinn Tisdale; DEQ Piedmont Regional Office, 4949-A Cox Road, Glen Allen, Virginia, 23060; Phone: (804)-527-5068; E-mail: cetisdale@deq.virginia.gov; FAX: (804)-527-5106.